UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI EASTERN DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)	
Plaintiff,)	
v.)	Case No. 4:05CR536 RWS
)	
CHARLES JONES,)	
JASON KYLE,)	
THOMAS KYLE, and)	
DALE ZEPP,)	
)	
Defendants.)	

ORDER

This matter is before me on Jason Kyle's objection to the Magistrate Judge's recommendation that Kyle's Motion to Sever be denied.

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(b) Jason Kyle's Motion to Sever was referred to United States Magistrate Judge Thomas C. Mummert.

The defendants, including Jason Kyle, are charged in a 16-count indictment which alleges that they were involved in a scheme to defraud.

I have conducted a <u>de novo</u> review of the record filed by the parties. I adopt the thorough and thoughtful reasoning of Magistrate Judge Mummert.

Accordingly,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that defendant's Motion to Sever is denied.

RODNEY Ŵ. SIPPEL

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

Dated this 26th day of January, 2006.